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# Mayor Proclaims Animal Control Officer Appreciation Week April 13-19 Recognizes Animal Control Officers

**SEGUIN, Texas** – Mayor Don Keil has proclaimed April 13-19 as National Animal Control Officer Appreciation Week in the City of Seguin. The proclamation was signed April 8 at City Hall.

National Animal Control Officer Appreciation Week recognizes hard-working animal services officers who answer calls for assistance, capture roaming and potentially dangerous animals, rescue animals in danger, investigate reports of animal abuse, educate pet owners about responsible care and mediate disputes between neighbors regarding pets.

"The people of Seguin Animal Services are a very dedicated group of professionals who exemplify hard work and dedication," Seguin Mayor Don Keil said. "Hopefully the public recognizes just how hard they work on a daily basis."

In 2013, Seguin Animal Services responded to 3,616 calls for service. In addition to field work, Animal Services is devoted to animal welfare programs such as adoption and microchipping events, pet care presentations, spay and neuter awareness and vaccination clinics.



Mayor Don Keil signs a proclamation marking April 13-19 as National Animal Control Officer Appreciation Week. Pictured left to right, top to bottom: Seguin Police Lt. Jerry Hernandez, Sgt. James Springer, Lt. Eric Jiminez, Chief Kevin Kelso, Animal Services Officer Andrea Mangold, Capt. Maureen Watson, Deputy Chief Wade Goolsby, Kennel Attendant Deliamar Richard, Animal Services Officer Shelley Lutz, Mayor Don Keil and Animal Services Supervisor Leah Lewis. (April 8, 2014)

### **About the City of Seguin**

Seguin, Texas is located along Interstate 10, about 35 miles east of San Antonio. Seguin is big enough to boast a top-rated university and a state-of-the-art hospital. More than 25,000 residents enjoy a range of cultural, recreational, and employment opportunities. Seguin's robust diversified economy features a steelmaker, a manufacturer of automotive parts and plants making roadside mowing equipment and building materials. In 2009, Seguin was proud to be selected by Caterpillar as the site of a major new engine manufacturing facility.